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In re Application of
John D. Rupel et al.
Application No. 08/979,438
Filed: November 26, 1997
Attorney Docket No.: 970552
For: LIGHT CONTROL WINDOW
COVERING AND METHOD
OF MAKING SAME

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: DECISION ON PETITION
: TO WITHDRAW THE
: HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
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This is a decision on applicants' renewed petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment, filed in the Patent and Trademark Office on January 10, 2000.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A review of the file record indicates that the application was held abandoned for failure to submit a proper response to the Office letter dated September 21, 1998, within the shortened statutory period of one month set therein.

Applicants submit a statement attesting that the response submitted in the initial petition was timely filed as requested in our decision dated November 4, 1999. This thereby complies with all the requirements under 37 CFR 1.8(b).

The application is being forwarded via the Supervisory Legal Examiner to the Primary Examiner for prompt action on the merits of the application.


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